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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID, FAO, UN, VN

SUBJECT: 27TH IGC/WFP SESSION: VIETNAM ISSUE

REF: ROME 3985 (NOTAL)

1. REFTEL REPORTED DISCUSSION DURING 2-DAY PERIOD IN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (IGC/WFP) CONCERNING SWEDEN/SENEGAL PROPOSAL TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO OFFER FOOD AID TO NORTH VIETNAM AND PRG ON HUMANITARIAN BASIS EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE NOT MEMBERS OF UN OR FAO AND HAVE MADE NO REQUEST. PROS AND CONS OF PROPOSAL, WHICH HAS STRONG POLITICAL OVERTONES AND SUBSTANTIALLY EXCEEDS WFP REGULATIONS, WERE DISCUSSED IN DEPTH. MATTER IS NOW IN HANDS OF COMMITTEE DRAFTING REPORT OF SESSION. PROPONENTS OF PROPOSAL HAVE INDICATED THAT, IF REPORT DOES NOT GIVE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AUTHORITY TO SEEK AND ACT ON NVN AND PRG REQUESTS, THEY MAY ATTEMPT TO REOPEN DEBATE WHEN SESSION REPORT COMES UP FOR APPROVAL ON MARCH 24 OR 25.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT DRAFTING COMMITTEE, IN SPITE OF SWEDEN/SENEGAL EFFORTS, WILL UPHOLD CONSENSUS REFLECTED IN PREVIOUS IGC SESSION REPORT ON THIS SUBJECT, I.E., THAT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS AUTHORIZED TO CONSIDER NVN OR PRG

REQUESTS IF AND WHEN RECEIVED AND SUBMIT THEM TO IGC FOR APPROVAL. ON THIS ASSUMPTION, USG HOPES THAT GREAT MAJORITY OF MEMBERS WILL OPPOSE REOPENING OF DEBATE ON GROUNDS THAT SUBJECT MATTER ALREADY THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED AND PROPERLY COVERED IN DRAFT REPORT WHICH WILL BE AT HAND.

3. ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED, AT THEIR DISCRETION,
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TO ASK HOST GOVERNMENT TO INSTRUCT IGC DEL URGENTLY TO OPPOSE REOPENING OF DEBATE ON THIS SUBJECT, POINTING OUT THAT IT HAS BEEN FULLY DEBATED OVER 2-DAY PERIOD, THAT NVN AND PRG ARE NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER WFP REGULATIONS TO MAKE REQUEST, THAT THEY HAVE MADE NO REQUEST, AND THAT IT WOULD BE IRONIC FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION TO TAKE INITIATIVE OF OFFERING THEM FOOD AID IN LIGHT OF THEIR MASSIVE MILITARY OPERATION AGAINST SVN IN FLAGRANT

VIOLATION OF PARIS AGREEMENT. IF HOST GOVERNMENT AGREES
WITH ABOVE REASONING, EMBASSY MAY WISH TO ENCOURAGE IT TO
INSTRUCT DEL TO MAKE STATEMENT IN EVENT DEBATE IS RE-
OPENED, SO THAT BROAD OPPOSITION TO SWEDEN/SENEGAL
PROPOSAL MAY BE REGISTERED. FOR GREATEST USEFULNESS
INSTRUCTION SHOULD BE IN HANDS OF DEL MORNING OF MARCH 24.
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